# CANCER FACTS

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# **The National Cancer Institute Cancer Centers Program**

The National Cancer Institute (NCI) Cancer Centers Program comprises more than 50 NCI-designated cancer centers engaged in multi disciplinary research to reduce cancer incidence, morbidity, and mortality. Through Cancer Center Support grants, this program supports three types of centers:

- Comprehensive Cancer Centers conduct programs in all three areas of research—basic research, clinical research, and prevention and control research—as well as programs in community outreach and education;
- **Clinical Cancer Centers** conduct programs in clinical research, and may also have programs in other research areas;
- Cancer Centers (formerly called Basic Science Cancer Centers) focus on basic research or cancer control research, but do not have clinical oncology programs.

Several cancer centers existed in the late 1960s, but it was the National Cancer Act of 1971 that strengthened the program by authorizing the establishment of 15 new cancer centers and the continued support for existing ones. The passage of the Act also dramatically transformed the centers' structure and broadened the scope of their mission to include all aspects of basic, clinical, and cancer control research. In 1990, there were 19 Comprehensive Cancer Centers in the Nation. Today, more than 30 cancer centers meet the NCI criteria for comprehensive status.

Each type of cancer center has special characteristics and capabilities for organizing new programs of research that can exploit important new findings and address timely research questions. All NCI-designated cancer centers are reevaluated each time their Cancer Center Support grant comes up for renewal (generally every 3 to 5 years).

To attain recognition from NCI as a **Comprehensive Cancer Center**, an institution must pass rigorous peer review. Under guidelines revised in 1997, a Comprehensive Cancer Center must perform research in three major areas: basic research; clinical research; and cancer prevention, control, and population-based research. It must also have a strong body of interactive research that bridges these research areas. In addition, a Comprehensive Cancer Center must conduct activities in outreach, education, and information provision, which are directed toward and accessible to both health care professionals and the lay community.

Clinical Cancer Centers have active programs in clinical research, and may also have programs in another area (such as basic research; or prevention, control and population-based research). Clinical Cancer Centers focus on both laboratory research and clinical research within the same institutional framework. This interaction of research and clinical activities is a distinguishing characteristic of many Clinical Cancer Centers.

The general term **Cancer Center** refers to an organization with scientific disciplines outside the specific qualifications for a comprehensive or clinical center. Such centers may, for example, concentrate on basic research, epidemiology and cancer control research, or other areas of research.

Since the passage of the National Cancer Act of 1971, the Cancer Centers Program has continued to expand. Today NCI-designated cancer centers continue to work toward creating new and innovative approaches to cancer research. Through interdisciplinary efforts, cancer

centers can effectively move this research from the laboratory into clinical trials and into clinical practice.

Patients seeking clinical oncology services (screening, diagnosis, or treatment) can obtain those services at **Clinical Cancer Centers** or **Comprehensive Cancer Centers**. They can also participate in clinical trials (research studies involving people) at these types of cancer centers. Most **Cancer Centers** are engaged almost entirely in basic research and do not provide patient care.

Below is a list of the NCI-designated cancer centers. Additional information about the Cancer Centers Program can be found on the Cancer Centers Branch Web site at http://www.nci.nih.gov/cancercenters/ on the Internet.

# Comprehensive\* and Clinical\*\* Cancer Centers Supported by NCI

Information about referral procedures, treatment costs, and services available to patients can be obtained from the individual cancer centers listed below.

ALABAMA University of Alabama at Birmingham Comprehensive

**Cancer Center\*** 

Address: 1824 Sixth Avenue South

Birmingham, AL 35294–3300

Telephone: (800) UAB-0933 (800-822-0933)

(205) 975-8222

Internet Web site: http://www.ccc.uab.edu/

ARIZONA Arizona Cancer Center\*

Telephone:

Address: The University of Arizona

1515 North Campbell Avenue

Post Office Box 245024 Tucson, AZ 85724

(800) 622-COPE (800-622-2673)

(520) 626–6044

Internet Web site: http://www.azcc.arizona.edu/

# CALIFORNIA USC/Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center and Hospital\*

Address: 1441 Eastlake Avenue

Los Angeles, CA 90033-0804

Telephone: (800) USC-CARE (800–872–2273)

(323) 865-3000

Internet Web site: http://ccnt.hsc.usc.edu/

E-mail: cainfo@ccnt.hsc.usc.edu (For general information)

# Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center at UCLA\*

Address: 8–684 Factor Building

UCLA Box 951781

Los Angeles, CA 90095–1781

Telephone: (310) 825–5268

Internet Web site: http://www.cancer.mednet.ucla.edu/

E-mail: jcccinfo@mednet.ucla.edu

# City of Hope\*

Address: National Medical Center and Beckman Research

Institute

1500 East Duarte Road Duarte, CA 91010–3000

Telephone: (626) 359–8111

Internet Web site: http://www.cityofhope.org/

# Chao Family Comprehensive Cancer Center\*

Address: University of California at Irvine

Building 23, Route 81 101 The City Drive Orange, CA 92868

Telephone: (714) 456–8200

Internet Web site: http://www.ucihs.uci.edu/cancer/

# University of California, San Diego Cancer Center\*\*

Address: 9500 Gilman Drive

La Jolla, CA 92093-0658

Telephone: (858) 534–7600 Internet Web site: http://cancer.ucsd.edu

#### **CALIFORNIA**

# University of California, San Francisco Comprehensive Cancer

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Center\*

Address: Box 0128, UCSF

2340 Sutter Street

San Francisco, CA 94143-0128

Telephone: (800) 888–8664 (Cancer referral line)

(415) 476–2201 (For general information)

Internet Web site: http://cc.ucsf.edu/ E-mail: cceditor@cc.ucsf.edu

#### **COLORADO**

# **University of Colorado Cancer Center\***

Address: Box E 190

4200 East Ninth Avenue Denver, CO 80262

Telephone: (800) 473–2288 (Cancer referral line)

(303) 372–1550

Internet Web site: http://uch.uchsc.edu/uccc/

#### CONNECTICUT

# **Yale Cancer Center\***

Address: Yale University School of Medicine

333 Cedar Street

Post Office Box 208028 New Haven, CT 06520–8028

Telephone: (203) 785–4095 (Administrative Offices) Internet Web site: http://www.info.med.yale.edu/ycc/

# DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

#### **Lombardi Cancer Center\***

Address: Georgetown University Medical Center

3800 Reservoir Road, NW. Washington, DC 20007

Telephone: (202) 784–4000

Internet Web site: http://lombardi.georgetown.edu/

#### **FLORIDA**

# H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center & Research Institute at The

**University of South Florida\*\*** 

Address: 12902 Magnolia Drive

Tampa, FL 33612-9497

Telephone: (813) 972–HOPE (813–972–4673)

Internet Web site: http://www.moffitt.usf.edu/

#### HAWAII

#### Cancer Research Center of Hawaii\*\*

Address: 1236 Lauhala Street

Honolulu, HI 96813

Telephone: (808) 586–3010

Internet Web site: http://www.hawaii.edu/crch/

# ILLINOIS The Robert H. Lurie Comprehensive Cancer Center\*

Address: Northwestern University

Olson Pavilion 8250 710 North Fairbanks Court Chicago, IL 60611–3013

Telephone: (312) 908–5250

Internet Web site: http://www.lurie.nwu.edu/

# **University of Chicago Cancer Research Center\***

Address: 5841 South Maryland Avenue

Chicago, IL 60637-1470

Telephone: (888) 824–0200 (For new patients)

(773) 702–9200

Internet Web site: http://www-uccrc.uchicago.edu/

# INDIANA Indiana University Cancer Center\*\*

Address: Room 455

535 Barnhill Drive

Indianapolis, IN 46202–5289

Telephone: (317) 278–0070

Internet Web site: http://www.iupui.edu/~iucc/

# IOWA The University of Iowa Cancer Center\*\*

Address: 5970 JPP

200 Hawkins Drive

Iowa City, IA 52242-1009

Telephone: (800) 777–8442 (Patient referral)

(800) 237–1225 (For general information)

Internet Web site: http://www.cancer.vh.org E-mail: Cancer-Center@uiowa.edu

# MARYLAND The Johns Hopkins Oncology Center\*

Address: 600 North Wolfe Street

Baltimore, MD 21287-8943

Telephone: (410) 955–8964 (For new patients)

Internet Web site: http://www.hopkins.cancercenter.jhmi.edu/

#### MASSACHUSETTS Dana-Farber Cancer Institute\*

Address: 44 Binney Street

Boston, MA 02115

Telephone: (617) 632–3000 (Ask for patient information)

Internet Web site: http://www.dana-farber.net/

#### MICHIGAN Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute\*

Operating the Meyer L. Prentis Comprehensive Cancer Center of

Metropolitan Detroit

Address: Wertz Clinical Center

4100 John R Street

Detroit, MI 48201-1379

Telephone: (800) KARMANOS (800–527–6266)

Internet Web site: http://www.karmanos.org/

E-mail: info@karmanos.org

# **University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center\***

Address: 1500 East Medical Center Drive

Ann Arbor, MI 48109

Telephone: (800) 865–1125

Internet Web site: http://www.cancer.med.umich.edu/

E-mail: www.cancer@umich.edu

# MINNESOTA Mayo Clinic Cancer Center\*

Address: 200 First Street, SW.

Rochester, MN 55905

Telephone: (507) 284–2111 (Appointment Information Desk)

Internet Web site: http://www.mayo.edu/cancercenter/

# **University of Minnesota Cancer Center\***

Address: Box 806 Mayo

420 Delaware Street, SE. Minneapolis, MN 55455

Telephone: (612) 624–8484

Internet Web site: http://www.cancer.umn.edu/

#### **NEW HAMPSHIRE** Norris Cotton Cancer Center\*

Address: Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center

One Medical Center Drive Lebanon, NH 03756–0002

Telephone: (603) 650–6300

Internet Web site: http://nccc.hitchcock.org/

# **NEW JERSEY** The Cancer Institute of New Jersey\*\*

Address: Robert Wood Johnson Medical School

195 Little Albany Street New Brunswick, NJ 08901

Telephone: (732) 235–CINJ (732–235–2465)

Internet Web site: http://130.219.231.104/

# NEW YORK Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center\*

Address: 1275 York Avenue

New York, NY 10021

Telephone: (800) 525–2225

Internet Web site: http://www.mskcc.org/

# **Roswell Park Cancer Institute\***

Address: Elm and Carlton Streets

Buffalo, NY 14263-0001

Telephone: (800) ROSWELL (800–767–9355)

Internet Web site: http://www.roswellpark.org/

# **Kaplan Comprehensive Cancer Center\***

Address: New York University School of Medicine

550 First Avenue

New York, NY 10016

Telephone: (212) 263–6485

Internet Web site: http://kccc-www.med.nyu.edu/

#### **Herbert Irving Comprehensive Cancer Center\***

Address: Columbia Presbyterian Center

New York-Presbyterian Hospital

PH 18, Room 200 622 West 168<sup>th</sup> Street

New York, NY 10032

Telephone: (212) 305–9327 (Office of Administration)

Internet Web site: http://www.ccc.columbia.edu/

#### **Albert Einstein Comprehensive Cancer Center\***

Address: Albert Einstein College of Medicine

1300 Morris Park Avenue

Bronx, NY 10461

Telephone: (718) 430–2302

Internet Web site: http://www.ca.aecom.yu.edu/

E-mail: aeccc@aecom.yu.edu

# NORTH CAROLINA

# **Duke Comprehensive Cancer Center\***

Address: Duke University Medical Center

Box 3843 301 MSRB

Durham, NC 27710

Telephone: (919) 684–3377

Internet Web site: http://www.canctr.mc.duke.edu/

NORTH CAROLINA

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**UNC Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center\*** 

Address: School of Medicine

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Campus Box 7295

Chapel Hill, NC 27599-7295

Telephone: (919) 966–3036

Internet Web site: http://cancer.med.unc.edu/

E-mail: dgs@med.unc.edu

Comprehensive Cancer Center at Wake Forest University\*

Address: Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center

Medical Center Boulevard

Winston-Salem, NC 27157-1082

Telephone: (336) 716–4464

Internet Web site: http://www.bgsm.edu/cancer/

OHIO The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center\*

Address: The Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital and Richard

J. Solove Research Institute

Suite 519

300 West 10th Avenue Columbus, OH 43210–1240

Telephone: (800) 293–5066 (The James Line) Internet Web site: http://www-cancer.med.ohio-state.edu/

E-mail: cancerinfo@jamesline.com

**Ireland Cancer Center\*** 

Address: University Hospitals of Cleveland

11100 Euclid Avenue

Cleveland, OH 44106-5065

Telephone: (216) 844–5432

(800) 641–2422

Internet Web site: http://www.uhhs.com/uhc/cancer/index.html

OREGON The Oregon Cancer Center\*\*

Address: The Oregon Health Sciences University

CR145

3181 Southwest Sam Jackson Park Road

Portland, OR 97201-3098

Telephone: (503) 494–1617

Internet Web site: http://www.ohsu.edu/occ/

#### PENNSYLVANIA Fox Chase Cancer Center\*

Address: 7701 Burholme Avenue

Philadelphia, PA 19111

Telephone: (888) FOX CHASE (888–369–2427)

(215) 728–2570 (To schedule an appointment)

Internet Web site: http://www.fccc.edu/

# **University of Pennsylvania Cancer Center\***

Address: 16th Floor, Penn Tower

3400 Spruce Street

Philadelphia, PA 19104-4283

Telephone: (800) 789–PENN (800–789–7366, referral and to

schedule an appointment)

(215) 662–4000 (Main number)

Internet Web site: http://www.oncolink.upenn.edu/

# University of Pittsburgh Cancer Institute\*

Address: Suite 206

Iroquois Building 3600 Forbes Avenue

Pittsburgh, PA 15213-3489

Telephone: (800) 237–4PCI (800–237–4724)

Internet Web site: http://www.upci.upmc.edu/ E-mail: PCI-INFO@msx.upmc.edu

#### **Kimmel Cancer Center\*\***

Address: Thomas Jefferson University

Bluemle Life Sciences Building

233 South 10th Street

Philadelphia, PA 19107-5541

Telephone: (800) JEFF–NOW (800–533–3669, Jefferson

Cancer Network)

(800) 654–5984 (Jefferson Cancer Network toll-free

number for deaf and hard of hearing callers)

Internet Web site: http://www.kcc.tju.edu/

# TENNESSEE St. Jude Children's Research Hospital\*\*

Address: 332 North Lauderdale Street

Memphis, TN 38105-2794

Telephone: (901) 495–3300

Internet Web site: http://www.stjude.org/

TENNESSEE The Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center\*\*

(continued) Address: Vanderbilt University

649 The Preston Building Nashville, TN 37232–6838

Telephone: (615) 936–1782

(800) 811–8480 or (615) 936–5847 (Clinical trial or

treatment option information) (888) 488–4089 (All other calls)

Internet Web site: http://www.vanderbiltcancer.org/

TEXAS The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center\*

Address: 1515 Holcombe Boulevard

Houston, TX 77030

Telephone: (800) 392–1611

Internet Web site: http://www.mdanderson.org/

San Antonio Cancer Institute\*

Address: 8122 Datapoint Drive

San Antonio, TX 78229–3264

Telephone: (210) 616–5590

Internet Web site: http://www.ccc.saci.org/

**UTAH** Huntsman Cancer Institute\*\*

Address: University of Utah

2000 Circle of Hope

Salt Lake City, UT 84112

Telephone: (877) 585–0303

Internet Web site: http://www.hci.utah.edu/

**VERMONT** Vermont Cancer Center\*

Address: University of Vermont

Medical Alumni Building Burlington, VT 05401

Telephone: (802) 656–4414

Internet Web site: http://www.vtmednet.org/vcc/

E-mail: vcc@uvm.edu

VIRGINIA Massey Cancer Center\*\*

Address: Virginia Commonwealth University

401 College Street

Post Office Box 980037 Richmond, VA 23298–0037

Telephone: (804) 828–0450

Internet Web site: http://views.vcu.edu/mcc/

The Cancer Center at The University of Virginia\*\* VIRGINIA

Address: University of Virginia Health System (continued)

Box 800334

Charlottesville, VA 22908

Telephone: (804) 924–9333

(800) 223–9173

Internet Web site: http://www.med.virginia.edu/medcntr/cancer/

home.html

WASHINGTON Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center\*

> Address: FM-252

> > 1100 Fairview Avenue North Post Office Box 19024 Seattle, WA 98109-1024

Telephone: (206) 667–5000 (Main number)

> (206) 667–7222 (Appointments and medical referral—Seattle Cancer Care Alliance)

Internet Web site: http://www.fhcrc.org/

E-mail: hutchdoc@fhcrc.org (Patient information)

**University of Wisconsin Comprehensive Cancer Center\* WISCONSIN** 

> Address: Cancer Connect

> > 600 Highland Avenue, K4/666

Madison, WI 53792-0001

(800) 622–8922 Telephone:

(608) 262–5223

Internet Web site: http://www.cancer.wisc.edu E-mail: uwccc@biostat.wisc.edu/

# **Cancer Centers Supported by the National Cancer Institute**

#### The Burnham Institute

La Jolla, California

#### The Salk Institute for Biological Studies

La Jolla, California

# **Purdue Cancer Center, Purdue University**

West Lafayette, Indiana

# The Jackson Laboratory

Bar Harbor, Maine

# Center for Cancer Research, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Cambridge, Massachusetts

# **Eppley Cancer Center, University of Nebraska Medical Center**

Omaha, Nebraska

# **Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory**

Cold Spring Harbor, New York

# **American Health Foundation**

New York, New York

# **Wistar Institute**

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

# McArdle Laboratory for Cancer Research, University of Wisconsin

Madison, Wisconsin

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# **Sources of National Cancer Institute Information**

# **Cancer Information Service**

Toll-free: 1–800–4–CANCER (1–800–422–6237)

TTY (for deaf and hard of hearing callers): 1–800–332–8615

#### **NCI Online**

#### Internet

Use http://cancer.gov to reach NCI's Web site.

#### CancerMail Service

To obtain a contents list, send e-mail to cancermail@icicc.nci.nih.gov with the word "help" in the body of the message.

# CancerFax® fax on demand service

Dial 301–402–5874 and listen to recorded instructions.

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